



Ferndale Area

School District Factsheet

Pennsylvania is not paying its fair share for public schools. It ranks 44th in the country in state share of education costs. Pennsylvania also has the widest gap in the U.S. between the highest and lowest spending school districts.

What does this mean for the Ferndale Area School District?

23%

Share of school funding provided by local taxpayers to Ferndale Area.

8

The number of times Ferndale Area has raised property taxes in the last 8 years.

476

Ferndale Area rank in terms of local tax effort out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

\$1M

The increase in state funding for Ferndale Area if it were fully funded by the state.

How much is spent to educate district students?

\$15,307

Current spending per student in Ferndale Area.

238

Ferndale Area rank in current spending out of 500 school districts (#1 being highest).

Contact these elected officials

to let them know you support more funding for your schools and sensible property tax relief:

Senator

Sen. Wayne Langerholc (R)

Representatives

Rep. Jim Rigby (R)

Rep. Frank Burns (D)



Here is what has changed for the district since 2011 when the state dramatically reduced education funding.

+\$1,552,295
(24%)

Increase in instructional costs for the district

-\$187,046
(-3%)

Change in state funding to cover instructional costs

+35%
+\$446,939

Change in Expenditures for Special Education

+16%
+\$73,686

Change in State Revenue Dedicated to Special Education

+137%
+\$170,972

Change in Payments to Charter Schools

Number of students
741

Performance - Students on Grade Level

Reading: 3rd

76%

Math: 7th

26%

Child Poverty Rate

School District

25%

Statewide

18%

To view sources of this information please visit www.paschoolswork.org/data